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SUBJECT: MCNAMARA'S PROPOSED NORTH SOUTH COMMISSION

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1. FRITZ FISCHER, A FORMER ECON COOP MIN OFFICIAL TASKED BY BRANDT TO DO SOME INITIAL WORK ON THE NORTH SOUTH COMMISSION, HAS GIVEN US A BRIEFING ON THE COMMISSION'S STATUS IN LIGHT OF THE CONCLUSION OF THE CIEC.

2. ACCORDING TO FISCHER, BRANDT NOW WANTS TO TAKE SOME THIRD WORLD SOUNDINGS BEFORE LEAPING INTO THE PROJECT. BRANDT IS NOT DOING THE CONTACT WORK HIMSELF, BUT WAITING FOR THE RESULTS OF INQUIRIES NOW BEING MADE IN KEY THIRD WORLD CAPITALS BY IBRD, THE DUTCH, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AND OTHERS.

3. TWO OTHER NECESSARY CONDITIONS FOR A COMMISSION START UP - SUFFICIENT FUNDS AND PROMINENT PARTICIPANTS - PRESENT NO PROBLEM. SEVERAL COUNTRIES HAVE MADE COMMITMENTS OF FUNDS, PARTICULARLY THE NETHERLANDS AND SWEDEN, AND ENOUGH PROMINENT PERSONALITIES FROM

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DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES HAVE VOLUNTEERED SO THAT PUTTING TOGETHER A COMMISSION IS ALSO NO PROBLEM.

4. BRANDT WANTS TO AVOID SOME OF THE "MISTAKES" OF THE PEARSON COMMISSION. THE NORTH/SOUTH COMMISSION WILL BE ABSOLUTELY INDEPENDENT AND WILL STUDIOUSLY AVOID ANY TIES TO THE IBRD OR DEVELOPED COUNTRIES IN GENERAL. THE COMMISSION ALSO WILL NOT PLEAD THE G-77 CASE AND WILL TRY TO POINT OUT AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT ON THEIR PART TOO. BRANDT WILL ALSO ATTEMPT TO FOCUS THE COMMISSION ON THE FULL RANGE OF NORTH SOUTH ISSUES AND WILL TRY TO AVOID SIMPLY MAKING A CASE TO THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES FOR INCREASED AID.
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